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SUBJECT: PEACE-KEEPING, AND USG ROLE

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1. IMPLEMENTING THE CONCEPT ARTICULATED IN PRESIDENT CARTER'S APRIL 14 OAS SPEECH, CONCERNING USG SUPPORT FOR PEACE-KEEPING EFFORTS IN LATIN AMERICA, ARA OFFICIALS RAISED IN A GENERAL WAY THE UNSETTLED SITUATION ON THE HONDURAS-EL SALVADOR FRONTIER DURING RECENT DISCUSSION WITH AMBASSADOR BERTRAND GALINDO. ACTING DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FRANK DEVINE EXPLAINED THAT, AS PART OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S CONSIDERATION OF HOW IT CAN PLAY A CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE IN HELPING TO RESOLVE OUTSTANDING ISSUES IN THE HEMISPHERE, THE DEPARTMENT IS INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHAT IF ANYTHING CAN BE DONE TO HELP RESTORE A MORE "NORMAL" SITUATION IN CENTRAL AMERICA. HE DESCRIBED USG INTEREST IN THE STABILITY AND ECONOMIC PROGRESS OF THE REGION AND OUR CONCERN THAT BOTH ARE BEING UNDERMINED BY

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THE BORDER DISPUTE. THE USG WOULD LIKE TO SEE "NORMALIZATION". IN ADDITION, HE NOTED, THE HELICOPTER SUPPORT FOR THE OBSERVER TEAM CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE INDEFINITELY. (DEVINE DELIBERATELY DID NOT REVEAL OUR AWARENESS OF REPORTED GOES EXPECTATION NOT TO NEED

HELICOPTERS OR OBSERVER TEAM AFTER OCTOBER 1. BERTRAND

INDICATED NOTHING IN THAT REGARD EITHER).

2. BERTRAND SAID THAT THERE WERE MANY DIFFICULT DIMENSIONS AFFECTING RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM INCLUDING INTERNAL VIEWS OF VARIOUS SECTORS (MILITARY, INDUSTRIAL, FOR EXAMPLE) WITHIN BOTH COUNTRIES. HE WELCOMED THE EXPRESSION OF USG INTEREST, WARNED THAT COMPLEX HUMAN AND ECONOMIC FACTORS WERE INVOLVED, BUT SAID HE WOULD CAREFULLY CONSIDER HOW BEST TO SEEK SOME FORWARD MOVEMENT.

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